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**COMMENTS INVITED ON INTERMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
APPLICATION TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
SERVICES**

**Comp. Pol. File No. 591**

**Comments Due: August 6, 2002**

**Section 214 Application**

**Applicant: Intermedia Communications, Inc.**

On May 31, 2002, Intermedia Communications, Inc. (Intermedia or Applicant), located at 5055 North Point Parkway, Alpharetta, Georgia 30022 filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission), requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,<sup>1</sup> to discontinue Intermedia One a domestic telecommunications services offered by Intermedia.

The application indicates that Intermedia is a subsidiary of WorldCom, Inc. requesting authority to discontinue the provision of Intermedia One services that are currently provided via Intermedia's Shreveport, Louisiana switch to 14 business customers in the cities of Shreveport and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Intermedia One is a switched bundled service offering that includes local and long-distance voice, data, and for some customers, Internet access and unified messaging. With respect to the services to be discontinued, Intermedia is considered a non-dominant subsidiary of WorldCom, Inc., a non-dominant competitive local exchange carrier.

The application states that a recent review of the Intermedia One offering revealed that the offering is unprofitable, and that there is no reasonable pathway of profitability given the current and projected base of customers. As a result, Intermedia requests authority to decommission its Shreveport, Louisiana switch in order to avoid the costs associated with so limited an offering. According to Intermedia, substitute services are available from other competitive carriers as well as for incumbent local exchange carriers that offer local exchange services at competitive rates and under reasonable terms and conditions.

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 214(a). *See also* 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

Intermedia states that the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of Intermedia One service in the two cities served by this switch.

The application indicates that customers have been sent notification of intent to discontinue service, a copy of which attached to the application. Intermedia does not intend to sell its customer list to any particular local service provider, but will allow customers to select a new service provider of their own preference. Intermedia will also provide customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period.

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c), the application will be deemed to be automatically granted on the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day after the release date of this notice, unless the Commission has notified Applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective. The Commission will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would be otherwise adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a “permit but disclose” proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules.<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules,<sup>3</sup> interested parties may file comments on or before **August 6, 2002**. Such comments should refer to **Comp. Pol. File No. 591**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. The original and four (4) copies of the comments should be sent to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room 6-A207, Washington, DC 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, Comments should be served upon Applicant. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-2345, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

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<sup>2</sup> See generally 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 - 1.1216.

<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone 202-863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via e-mail at [qualexint@aol.com](mailto:qualexint@aol.com).

For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), [cweather@fcc.gov](mailto:cweather@fcc.gov), or John Adams (202) 418-0394 (voice), [jkadams@fcc.gov](mailto:jkadams@fcc.gov), of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding Section 214 please visit [http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other\\_adjud](http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other_adjud)

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